GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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Study of Foreign Language at School Level
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that the students in Kendriya Vidyalaya Schools are likely to opt for German as an additional foreign language, in conformity with the National Education Policy;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether it is also true that the Government has signed a joint declaration of intent with Germany in this regard; and if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
(SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a) & (b): Students from classes VI to VIII of Kendriya Vidyalayas desirous of learning German language are allowed to study it as an additional subject provided at least 15 or more students in a school opt for the same.

(c) A Joint Declaration of Intent (JDI) has been signed between this Ministry and the Federal Foreign Office of the Federal Republic of Germany, on 5th October, 2015. The JDI aims at promotion of the teaching of German as an additional foreign language in the Kendriya Vidyalayas in conformity with the National Education Policy of India and for promotion of teaching of Modern Indian Languages in German educational institutions.
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